

As you know, the LIEAB meeting was rescheduled to Friday, August 22 to accommodate the schedules of members. Unfortunately, the Legislative Hearing on the LIHEAP Block Grant Allocation Plan will take place on Thursday, August 21. Due to the unavailability of members it is not feasible to meet prior to the Legislative Hearing. We will move ahead with our plans to meet this Friday at DPUC – Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. DSS will be prepared to review and answer your questions on the plan.

I've attached the draft July Meeting Summary and August Agenda.

Please let me know if you are unable to attend.

Thanks

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Agenda

Low-Income Energy Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, August 22, 2008

10:00 – 12:00 Noon

DPUC

Ten Franklin Square

New Britain, CT 06051

- I. Welcome**
- II. Approval of July Meeting Minutes**
- III. Chair Report**
- IV. DSS Report**
 - LIHEAP Allocation Plan**
 - Update on Current Energy Program**
- V. Other Business**

Draft
Low-Income Energy Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 9, 2008

OPM
Hartford, CT

Attendees: Carlene Taylor, Pamela Giannini for Claudette Beaulieu, Shirley Bergert, Paula Claydon, Marilyn Hayes for John Betkoski, James Gatling, Laura Gonzalez, Marla Hinz Edith Karsky, Kerri Kemp, Stacey Gardner for Tom Murphy, James McNally, Lindsay Parke, Deb Polun, David Thomas, Lance Johnson, , Ray Wilson, and Walter Wisnefsky,

Agenda Item	Action
Welcome	The meeting was convened at 10:15 a.m.
CAA-ABCD Discussion	<p>William Bevacqun and Carol Reid from ABCD attended the meeting to discuss the disparity in the 2008 energy caseload as compared to the 2007.</p> <p>Highlights of the discussion follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-received fewer applications for the past heating season-the agency approved more applications this heating season as compared to last year-change in demographics in the Bridgeport area-immigrants not responsive to outreach efforts-the agency primary focus was on the quality of services provided to individuals entering the system-the agency will research the possibility of increasing the number of intake sites <p>Issues/concerns for all CAA: expansion of outreach efforts without additional funding to support increased numbers of clients.</p>
DSS Report	<p>Energy contracts modified to begin early intake in August 2008.</p> <p>The 2008-2009 CEAP plan will be available by early August 2008.</p> <p>As of July 7 (CEAP, SAFA, CHAP) a total of 99,598 applications taken; 86,211 eligible; 13,387 denied; 0 pending certification, 28,086 received Crisis Assistance and 18,240 received Safety Net Assistance.</p>
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held in August. Date and location to be determined at a later date.